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SUBJECT: IRELAND BROADLY AGREES WITH US RESPONSE ON UNGA
FIRST DISARMAMENT COMMITTEE

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1. Emboff, drawing on reftel points, spoke on September 2 to First Secretary, UN Section at the DFA Julian Clare. Clare stated that Ireland's response to Resolution 58/41 is included in the common reply that the EU sent. Clare said that Ireland has strong national views on nuclear disarmament and nonproliferation, but on matters of reform and revitalization, it will follow the EU's lead.

2. Clare said Ireland has a fair degree of commonality with the US response; it supports the voting procedures followed by Chairman Sareva in the 2003 session, better management of speaking time, interactive discussions with experts, and greater use of bi- or tri-annual resolutions.
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